THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The State Government has yet to submit complete information to examine the proposal.

Tribal Welfare and Rehabilitation Package

4527. PROF. M. SANKARA LINGAM : Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any special package for tribal welfare and rehabilitation;

(b) if so, what are those; and

(c) whether there is any special mechanism to implement them ?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM) : (a) to (c) The Ministry of Tribal Affairs is implementing a number of schemes for overall socio-economic and educational development of the Scheduled Tribes. These schemes are :

(1) Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Plan

(2) Grants under Article 275 (1) of the Constitution.

(3) Boys hostels for scheduled Tribes.

(4) Girls Hostels for Scheduled Tribes.

(5) Ashram Schools in Tribal Areas.

(6) Vocational Training in Tribal Areas.

(7) Educational Complexes.

(8) State Tribal Development Cooperative Corporation Scheme.

(9) Village Grain Banks

(10) Research and Training.

(11) Development of primitive Tribal Groups.

(12) Grant to Non-Governmental Organisations.

(13) Investment in Share Capital of TRIFED

(14) Price Support Scheme to TRIFED

(15) Post Matric Scholarships for Scheduled Tribes.

(16) Book Banks for Scheduled Tribes.

(17) Coaching and Allied Scheme for imparting coaching to Scheduled Tribe students for various competitive examinations.

The schemes are implemented through the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations and Non-Governmental Organisations.

Poverty Alleviation Scheme for STs in M. P.

4528. MISS MABEL REBELLO : Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the total population of Scheduled Tribes in Madhya Pradesh as per census conducted in 1981 and 1991 and the total number of families of Scheduled Tribes in both the census;

(b) how many Scheduled Tribe families in Madhya pradesh have been assisted upto 31st March, 1999 and brought above the poverty line under the poverty alleviation scheme; and

(c) the number of Scheduled Tribe families in the state of M. P. that live below the line of poverty as on 31st March, 1999 ?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM) : (a) The total population of scheduled Tribes in Madhya Pradesh as per Census conducted in 1981 and 1991 was 1,19,87,031 and 1,53,99,034 respectively.

(b) The number of Scheduled Tribe families assisted upto 31st March, 1999 in Madhya Pradesh is as under :—

1997-98	2,62,062
1998-99	2,65,837

(c) According to latest available poverty estimate for Scheuled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe population by the planing Commission in 1993-94, the percentage of tribal population below poverty line in Madhya pradesh is 56.69% in rural areas and 65.28% in urban areas.

Hostels Schemes for Tribals in Bihar

4529. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA : Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :